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LETTERS PATENT to Page Dewing Woodcock, of Lincoln, in the County of Lincoln, Chemist, for the Invention of "**An Improved Preparation or Pill for Medicinal Purposes, hereby denominated Page Woodcock's Wind Pills.**"

Sealed the 12th February 1853, and dated the 3rd December 1852.

PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION left by the said Page Dewing Woodcock at the Office of the Commissioners of Patents, with his Petition, on the 3rd December 1852.

I, Page Dewing Woodcock, of Lincoln, in the County of Lincoln, Chemist, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for "**An Improved Preparation or Pill for Medicinal Purposes, hereby denominated Page Woodcock's Wind Pills,**" to be as follows:—

My Invention consists in a new combination of drugs or medicinal preparations made into the form of pills, for the relief and cure of the following diseases; namely, for the dispersion of accumulated gaseous matter or air, familiarly known as wind in the stomach and bowels, and giddiness of the head; also for diseases known as heartburn, indigestion, disturbed sleep, palpitation of the heart, colic, gout, jaundice, dropsy, asthma, ague, sore throat, biliousness, erysi-

pelas, lumbago, piles, tic douloureux, scurvy, and other eruptions of the skin; as well as for all complaints of the liver, and for the diseases peculiar to women, and known as female complaints. They are also applicable for the relief and cure of many other bodily diseases.

I form a combination of drugs, or medicinal preparations in the following proportions (that is to say):—Ten ounces of the extract of gentian roots, with seven ounces of the extract of chamomile flowers, four ounces of the powder of extract of aloes, four ounces of the powder of Turkey rhubarb roots, two ounces of the powder of Jamaica ginger roots, two ounces of the powder of gum myrrh, four ounces of the powder of Castile soap, one ounce and a half of the powder of ipecacuanha roots, two ounces of the compound extract of colocynth fruit or pulp; one drachm of the essential oils of peppermint and of anniseeds.

The whole of these ingredients are then well beaten and incorporated together in a mortar into one uniform mass (without the aid of any further addition), of which mass one drachm is to be accurately divided into twenty-four pills of equal size and weight, so that each pill may contain two and a half grains of the above compound.

The weights, measures, and medicinal preparations herein spoken of are those respectively authorized by, and prepared according to the formula of, the Apothecaries Company of London.

SPECIFICATION in pursuance of the conditions of the Letters Patent, filed by the said Page Dewing Woodcock in the Great Seal Patent Office on the 3rd June 1853.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, Page Dewing Woodcock, of Lincoln, in the County of Lincoln, Chemist, send greeting.

WHEREAS Her most Excellent Majesty Queen Victoria, by Her Letters Patent, bearing date the Third day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, in the

sixteenth year of Her reign, did, for Herself, Her heirs and successors, give and grant unto me, the said Page Dewing Woodcock, Her special license that I, the said Page Dewing Woodcock, my executors, administrators, and assigns, or such others as I, the said Page Dewing Woodcock, my executors, administrators, and assigns, should at any time agree with, and no others, from time to time and at all times thereafter during the term therein expressed, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend, within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, an Invention for "**An Improved Preparation or Pill for Medicinal Purposes, hereby denominated Page Woodcock's Wind Pills,**" upon the condition (amongst others) that I, the said Page Dewing Woodcock, by an instrument in writing under my hand and seal, should particularly describe and ascertain the nature of the said Invention, and in what manner the same was to be performed, and cause the same to be filed in the Great Seal Patent Office within six calendar months next and immediately after the date of the said Letters Patent.

NOW KNOW YE, that I, the said Page Dewing Woodcock, do hereby declare the nature of my said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement (that is to say):

My Invention consists of a new combination of drugs, medicines, or medicinal preparations made into the form of pills for the relief and cure of the following bodily diseases, disorders, or complaints. For the dispersion of accumulated gaseous matter or air generated internally, and commonly and familiarly known as wind in the stomach and bowels, and giddiness of the head; also for diseases or ailments known as heartburn, indigestion, disturbed sleep, palpitation of the heart, colic, gout, jaundice, dropsy, asthma, sore throat, ague, biliousness, erysipelas, lumbago, piles, tic douloureux, scurvy, and other eruptions of the skin; as well as for all complaints and disorders of the liver, and for the diseases or irregularities peculiar to women, and known as female complaints. They are also applicable and beneficial for the relief and cure of many other bodily diseases, ailments, disorders, or complaints.

I form a combination of drugs, medicines, or medicinal preparations, in the following exact proportions (that is to say):—I mix or incorporate together ten ounces of the extract of gentian roots, with seven ounces of the extract of chamomile flowers, four ounces of the powder of extract of aloes, four ounces of the powder of Turkey rhubarb roots, two ounces of the powder of Jamaica ginger roots, two ounces of the powder of gum myrrh, four ounces of the powder of Castile soap, one ounce and a half of the powder of ipecacuanha roots, two ounces of the compound extract of colocynth fruit or pulp, and one drachm of each of the essential oils of peppermint and of anniseed.

The whole of these ingredients are then well beaten, mixed, blended, and incorporated together in a mortar or other suitable utensil into one uniform mass, so that all parts of such mass shall contain the same proportion of the before mentioned ingredients (without the aid of any further addition whatever), of which mass one drachm is to be accurately divided into twenty-four pills of equal size and weight, so that each pill may contain two and a half grains of the before mentioned compound.

The drugs, medicines, or medicinal preparations, as also the weights and measures herein spoken of, are those respectively authorized by, and prepared according to the formula and directions of, the Apothecaries Company of London.

I claim as my Invention the combination of the before mentioned well known drugs, medicines, or medicinal preparations for the relief and cure of the aforesaid bodily diseases and complaints.

In witness whereof, I, the said Page Dewing Woodcock, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this First day of June, A.D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.

PAGE DEWING WOODCOCK. (L.S.)

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